

## THE GAZETTE.

MONDAY, AUGUST 8.

The latest returns from Kentucky show the republican gains to be over 25,000.

There are 365 colleges and universities in the United States, and 87 of the number are nonsectarian.

It now looks as though prohibition was defeated in Texas by a majority somewhere near 70,000 or 80,000. The majority against it is about equal to the democratic majority in the state.

Mrs. E. D. N. Southworth's sixty-eight novels bring her an income of \$15,000 a year, and the new York Ledger pays her \$10,000 more. And they are not very "realistic" novels either.

There are a good many democrats in Maryland who say that Higgins is a better man than Mr. Cleveland. Half of this is truth. Mr. Higgins is not a reformer and doesn't pretend to be. Mr. Cleveland pretends to be a reformer and is not. This is one of the differences between the two men.

In about ten months from now the mugwumps will be rapping pretty vigorously at the door of the republican party wanting admission. They are getting tired of waiting for Mr. Cleveland to begin his reform movement. In fact all the offices have gone to the democrats and he can't begin now. He has nothing to begin on.

After all, one of the strongest election incidents is that of Kentucky. In all the Union there was not half a dozen years ago, a more iron-bound, copper-fastened, double-riveted democratic state than old Bourbon Kentucky. But mind this, in 1887, with all the patronage of the government in the hands of the party, the democrats have not carried the state by more than 13,000 or 14,000. Just think of this in a state which "used to be as strongly democratic as Texas."

In the Colorado desert, near Idaho, there is a large bed of rock-salt, and the Southern Pacific railroad, in laying the track to the salt-bed, has been obliged to grade the road for twelve hundred feet with blocks of these beautiful crystals. This is the only instance where a road-bed is laid and ballasted on salt. The sea which once rolled over this place dried up, and left a vast bed of salt nearly fifty miles long. The supply is inexhaustible, and the quality excellent.

Mr. Carroll D. Wright's annual report contains some valuable statistics regarding labor in penal institutions. The total number of convicts in the United States is 64,940, of which number 5,895 are females. At the compilation of the statistics 19,000 were sick or engaged on light duty. Of these at hard work, about 15,000 are employed under the public account system, 10,000 on the lease system, and 6,000 on the piece price method. The total product of convict labor in the country is worth \$23,753,000, and the number of convicts required to produce it is nearly one-third greater than the number of free laborers who would accomplish the same result.

If Dakota is kept out of the statehood again by congress, under the influence of the liquor lobby, there will come such a chorus demanding the reason why that congressmen will think a Manitoba cyclone is on its way to Washington. It is a fact of record that makes the realization of the saloon an essential part of a state's policy before it can be admitted to the Union—New York Voice.

The Voice, (prohibitionist) is talking the wrong way. Dakota is kept out of the Union simply because it is a republican state and congress is democratic. There is no liquor lobby about the senate. The party that the Voice is quite directly supporting, doesn't want Dakota in the Union and for the reason already stated. If Dakota was democratic it would go in with a rush.

There were a good many points of greatness about the late Joseph H. Rainey, ex-colored member of congress from South Carolina. He was born a slave, and worked in a barber shop in Charleston until 1852, when the confederates compelled him to work upon the fortifications in the harbor. He didn't like that kind of work, and one day while the garrison was not watching him closely, he made his escape and went to the West Indies, where he remained until the close of the war. When he returned to his native state, he took an active part in politics, was elected to congress and served two years. He was a bright man, studied hard, was not egotistical, nor proud of his honors, but did all he could to merit the good will of his fellow members and to faithfully discharge his duty. He became a good speaker, took an active part in the house debates, and was an important member of all committees on which he was placed. His last committee was that of enrolled bills. When he served his last day in 1878, he performed a service for the country that should not be forgotten. As usual, the work of the session was behind. Just at that time the committee on enrolled bills is a very important one. The enrollers worked all night long with all the speed possible to save certain bills passed. Mr. Rainey was the only live man on the committee during the expiring hour of the Forty-fifth congress. Those who were not busy were asleep; and Rainey had to attend to the work alone. When he rushed into the house with the roll of bills in his hands just a few minutes before the gavel went down for the last time, there came loud applause from both sides of the chamber for the colored member. He accomplished what no white member wanted to do. He had not been to bed for two nights and days, but he saved

## THE MONONA ASSEMBLY.

The eighth annual encampment of the Monona Lake assembly, which closed last Friday evening, was one of the most successful of the series. The state Journal furnishes the following particulars which will be of value to the many persons interested in the splendid literary, scientific, art, musical and religious work of the assembly: "The encampment was a financial success, the gross receipts being about \$7,000, with expenses considerably less. The assembly has an indebtedness of about \$2,500, incurred in the past in making permanent improvements, and it is hoped that the net profit will be sufficient to liquidate it. The expense of the programme was about \$3,100 this year, while last year it was about \$3,600. The encampment this season continued during only eleven days, however, while last year it continued two weeks. The officers of the assembly report that there was less friction in the management of the encampment this season than ever before, and that there was a noticeable improvement in the class of campers. The officers maintain, too, that the various exercises averaged a higher grade than at any time heretofore, notwithstanding the fact that there was noticeable absence of brilliant attractions. No accidents occurred to mar the pleasure of the encampment."

The Monona assembly is fast becoming a noted educational institution. It is to the west what Chautauque is to the east. The course of lectures in classical, history, art, literature, bible teaching, and so on, have been exceedingly profitable to those seeking more light in these branches.

**A NEGATIVE PARTY.**  
The democrats have not got over their habit of waiting to see what their republican opponents are going to do before formulating a policy or plan of campaign. When the republicans were in power they always held their conventions first, and proposed reforms which the democrats were generally content to oppose, without offering anything themselves. This seems still to be their policy. They have called their state committee together the last of August, so as to make it impossible to hold a convention until after the republicans. For a negative party this is probably the wisest course.—New York Tribune.

The habit of the New York democrats of waiting to see what their republican opponents are going to do before putting a ticket in the field, is the old habit of the Wisconsin democrats. Not in twenty-five years have the democrats of this state held their state convention before the republicans. They have not the courage to come out boldly and call their convention, nominate candidates for state offices, and go to work and plan a campaign independent of republicans. They lack the moral courage to take the lead. They haven't the grit to take the field first. They want to sneak in when the republicans have inaugurated the campaign.

What is true of the democrats of New York and Wisconsin and many other states, is true of the national democratic party. Not since the republican party was born have the democrats held their national convention first. They have always been afraid to nominate a candidate for the presidency before the republicans did; and their old policy will be adopted next year, although they have but one man they dare to nominate. The party that has not the courage to hold its conventions and name its candidates independent of any other party, will never rid itself of its cowardice except by an accident as the democrats did in 1854.

**CONVENTION IN TEXAS.**  
GALVESTON, Tex., Aug. 8.—The complete returns received from 451 voting precincts in the state, including all the larger cities and places connected by telegraphic transmission, and a few complete county returns, place the total majority for state prohibition at 50,565, and the total majority against state prohibition at 20,025. This indicates that the anti-saloon cause has been defeated in the whole state by over 300,000 votes.

**Backer's Majority Not Less than 13,000.**  
LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 8.—Official returns from 64 of the 119 counties in the state show a republican gain of 27,320 and a democratic gain of 1,825; net republican gain, 25,495. A majority of the counties to hear from are expected to give increased republican gains. At the present rate of gains the democrats will have a majority of about 13,000.

**The Tea Trade.**  
NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—The transatlantic tea trade now largely exceeds the tea imports by way of the Suez canal. During the present season 18,418,446 pounds of tea came to the United States and Canada, of which only 4,735,554 pounds came by way of the canal.

**A Ten-Year-Old Paralytic.**  
PULFORD, Me., Aug. 8.—Mortimer Smith, a ten-year-old boy, living near here, has been arrested for shooting his father, Emerson Smith. He says that he was persuaded to do it by his sister and a colored boy, and that his father did not treat him well.

**Death of a Railway President.**  
BOSTON, Aug. 8.—Alpheus Hardy, of this city, died Sunday. He was president of the Detroit, Lansing & Northern railroad, and had formerly been largely interested in ocean shipping. He was noted for his benevolence.

**Gave Himself Up.**  
BISMARCK, D. T., Aug. 8.—George E. Reed, the ex-city treasurer of Bismarck, who disappeared some three months ago, leaving a shortage in his accounts of \$3,000, voluntarily returned to this city yesterday.

**A Big Drop.**  
NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—A drop in Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton stock from 120 to 90 was reported Saturday. It was rumored that Henry S. Ives & Co. had made an assignment, but this was promptly denied.

**Floods in Spain.**  
MADRID, Aug. 8.—Floods are doing great damage in the Province of Orense. The crops have been destroyed, many heads of cattle drowned, and hundreds of people made destitute.

## WHOLESALE SLAUGHTER

Story of a Terrible Tragedy Enacted in Georgia.

NINE PERSONS SLAIN IN COLD BLOOD.

A Young Man Charged with the Murder of His Father and Eight Other Persons—Held by a Coroner's Jury—The Details.

**KILLED A WHOLE FAMILY.**  
MACON, Ga., Aug. 8.—Captain and Mrs. It. F. Woolfolk, their six children, ranging in age from sixteen months to twenty years, and Mrs. West, aged sixty, an aunt of Mrs. Woolfolk, were murdered in their home Friday night. Thomas G. Woolfolk, son of the Captain's first wife, who was sleeping in the house at the time, has been held by the coroner's jury for the murder of his father and eight other persons. The evidence before the jury was that some time before daybreak he was aroused by screams and the sound of blows proceeding from his parents' room. His half brother Richard ran into the room which he entered, and finding that murder was being committed, he (Thomas) jumped from a window in his night clothes and bare feet and ran to the house of a negro 300 or 400 yards away, got them to surround the neighborhood. He says he was afraid to return, fearing that he himself would be murdered, but went back after half an hour. No help had arrived, and he went in to see if his father had been murdered. He found them all dead. He stepped in a pool of blood in passing, and left footprints on the floor. He found his step-mother lying on the bed with her head on the door and her body on the bed. He raised her up and placed her on the bed. He then changed his clothes. By this time a crowd had arrived and soon after he was taken into custody. The evidence before the coroner's jury was circumstantial throughout, but the verdict recommended the holding of the prisoner. The crowd made threats of lynching, and the prisoner was brought to Macon and safely lodged in jail, where he talked of the crime coolly, but made no admissions. His motive is said to be a desire to gain possession of his father's property for himself and two sisters, children of the first wife. Yesterday he was taken to Atlanta. He continues to deny his guilt.

## FATAL FIRE IN LONDON.

**Five Men Killed and Many Injured in a Blaze Costing Over \$1,000,000.**  
LONDON, Aug. 8.—The enormous warehouses of William Whitely, draper and general store-keeper, in Queen's road, Bayswater, were partly destroyed by fire Saturday evening. The damage will exceed \$1,000,000, and it is believed that there was no insurance on any part of the property. The cause of the fire occurring in the warehouse is under suspicion. The establishment was occupied by Whitely, five men were killed, and two others were injured. The number of persons injured is not definitely known, but it is large. While a score of firemen were passing over a frail bridge supporting the buildings occupied by Whitely, the feet above the ground, the structure fell, precipitating them to the pavement. All of them were badly injured, and some of them fatally.

**Lightning Fires a Huge Oil Tank.**  
PHOENIX, Pa., Aug. 8.—A terrible storm, amounting almost to a cyclone, passed over this city Friday night, doing a vast amount of damage. The western part of the city was inundated. A 15,000 barrel tank of oil belonging to the Ellipse Oil Company was fired by a flash of lightning, and for a time threatened the destruction of the entire oil works, the largest in the world. The loss by the fire will reach \$20,000. Several persons were hurt.

**Reverend Threatens a March on Oklahoma.**  
ARKANSAS CITY, Aug. 8.—A number are near here on their way to Oklahoma, which they say they are going to take. They have been publishing a paper, in which they state their intention of marching on the city of Oklahoma. The companies of United States troops, part of General Miles' old Fifth Cavalry, are encamped near here, from which place they will cross into the Indian Territory and prevent the march.

**A Thorough-bred Dynamite.**  
NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—The police say that Money, who tried to blow up the steamer Queen, is an ex-Fenian and member of the Cash-n-Gag, and is believed to have had a hand in the attempt to blow up the local government buildings in London and the Parliament House in Quebec, besides the explosion in the steamer Warrington and the burning of the Croftwell line pier.

**Youthful Immigrants.**  
NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—Albert and Paul Schmidt, twins, aged four, and their sister, of nine, arrived here on the steamer Werra, Saturday, on their way to Chicago. They have no tickets to Chicago, and will be held at Castle Garden until their father comes for them.

**Movement of Specie.**  
NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—The exports of specie from the port of New York last week amounted to \$110,001, of which \$39,130 in silver and \$1,574 in gold were shipped to Europe, and \$1,777 in silver and \$2,000 in gold went to South American ports.

**The King of Holland Seriously Ill.**  
LONDON, Aug. 8.—It is feared that serious troubles will result in connection with the succession of William III, King of Holland, who is now old and seriously ill. He is the last of the male descendants of the House of Orange.

**A Chinese-American Bank.**  
SHANGHAI, Aug. 8.—M. Mikimoto and two Chinese envoys left here for Washington Sunday to complete the formation of the Chinese-American Bank. The bank will start with a capital of \$75,000,000.

**Diplomats to Combine.**  
BLOOMING, Ill., Aug. 8.—Diplomats of Northern Illinois and Southern Wisconsin will probably form a combination to put up prices, the summer season having been disastrous.

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## BOUNCING THE "BOODLERS."

The Corrupted Members of the Cook County (Ill.) Board of Commissioners Must Resign—McGarigle.

CHICAGO, Aug. 8.—In the case of the county boudlers, the attorneys for them who were fined \$2,000 or \$3,000 on Saturday, drew the motion for a new trial, whereupon Judge Jamieson gave notice to the accused that they must resign their positions as commissioners and appear for sentence today, which they said they would do. As to the other defendants who were given non-judicial sentences and are in jail, the motion was allowed to stand, but nothing was done for signing it. They then agreed to resign, which will involve seven vacancies on the county board to be filled by the hold-over members. The commissioners who will resign under Government of the law as violators of their official trusts are Klehm, Wren, McCarthy, McLaughlin, Oliver, Casselman and Gels. Klehm and McLaughlin have already headed the resignations.

Attorney Mann, at the session of court on Saturday, made a proposition to the effect that if the judge would allow Messrs. Ochs, Wasserman and McLaughlin, three of those sentenced to the penitentiary, to plead guilty, and would change their sentence to a fine of \$1,000 each, the motion for a new trial in their behalf would be withdrawn. The court refused to entertain the proposition. Ochs is the fact that the wife of Mr. Leyden was lying at the point of death, he was allowed to spend Saturday night and Sunday at home closely guarded by deputies.

Janitor Dell, who was arrested in connection with the escape of McGarigle, gave bail Saturday in the sum of \$3,000, and was released.

**BOLD THIEVES.**  
They Go Through a Pan-Handle Train at Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 8.—A bold attempt at train robbery was made on the Pan-Handle line about three o'clock yesterday morning. About midnight the switchmen in the Pan-Handle freight yards discovered five men robbing a car of merchandise. They attempted to capture the robbers, but were compelled to throw up their hands and walk away. Two or three hours later five men, supposed to be the same persons who robbed the car, stopped an outgoing freight train just beyond the city limits. While the engineer and train-men were armed with revolvers the cars were all examined, but the robbers failed to find any thing that they wanted, and allowed the train to proceed on its trip. The robbers disappeared in the fields along the road. None of them wore masks. The leader was recognized as Al Kere, a notorious thief whom the police have been trying for months to capture. Officers have been hunting for the robbers, but have failed to find any of them.

## MILLBROOK, KAN., DESTROYED.

**Seventy-Nine Buildings Demolished by Last Thursday's Cyclone.**  
St. Louis, Aug. 8.—Additional advices from the town of Millbrook, Kan., which was struck by a cyclone last Thursday evening, are to the effect that the place was practically demolished. Seventy-nine buildings, including hotels, school-houses, churches, stores and residences were wholly or nearly destroyed. The losses are up to \$85,000. The people are in great distress, and a relief committee has been organized to solicit aid for the families whose homes were swept away.

**Fatally Stricken.**  
NILESVILLE, O., Aug. 8.—Mrs. Leon Jackson, who lived near here, her husband, was arrested Saturday morning for the murder of her step-father, John Calvin, a veteran Civil War soldier. Calvin died Friday evening. Mrs. Jackson was arrested for the night the woman went to his room and stabbed him six times with a butcher-knife, two wounds being inflicted in the stomach and one in the region of the heart. Calvin died at once. Sympathy is with the woman, who was cruelly maltreated by her step-father, with whom she lived. She has been taken to McArthur for preliminary trial.

**Renewing the War Alarm.**  
LONDON, Aug. 8.—The Brussels Gazette renounces the war alarm by announcing that the German Government is building an extensive network of strategic railways between Cologne and the frontier towards Antwerp. These lines would enable the Germans to throw 120,000 men under the walls of Antwerp in twenty-four hours. The work is progressing rapidly. It includes depots for munitions, reservoirs for feeding livestock, and special stations for artillery and cavalry.

**Died Far from Home.**  
NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—George Essex Montefox Drummond, Viscount Forth, heir presumptive to the Earldom of Perth in the peerage of Scotland, died Saturday of consumption at St. Luke's hospital. In 1871 he eloped to New York with a young woman in his mother's employ as a nurse where they had since lived as man and wife. He had refused to return to his family on condition that he abandon his lineage, and died in destitute circumstances.

**Self-Confessed Murderers.**  
GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Aug. 8.—Charles and William Macard, farmers and brothers, surrendered themselves at the jail yesterday, saying they had killed a neighbor named Michael O'Brien, an Ottawa County farm hand, and placed by twenty-six shots in the road in front of the Macard farm, four miles from Grand Rapids. The shooting was done by a self-confessed brother, who claims he acted in self-defense.

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